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SENATOR SCHMIT: Mr. President, ... makes much difference in so far as the vote is concerned. My motion was to continue to override the Speaker's order which requires only 25 votes. Is that not right.

PRESIDENT: Yes.

SENATOR SCHMIT: It was not a change in the rules.

PRESIDENT: Unless there was an appropriation bill involved and the Speaker raised that point.

SENATOR SCHMIT: But that point was not resolved by the Legislature.

PRESIDENT: Well the Speaker raised the point that this was an appropriations bill and that they be given precedence.

SENATOR SCHMIT: Mr. President, I'll not belabor the point because the votes are not there. I want to make it clear that my motion was a motion to take the bills out of order.

PRESIDENT: I understand that, yes. Have you voted? Record. Announce the vote.

CLERK: 17 ayes, 27 nays, Mr. President.

PRESIDENT: Motion fails. The ... we'll proceed then with the appropriations bills. LB 691.

CLERK: Mr. President, LB 691 introduced by the Appropriations Committee and signed by the members thereof. Read title. Mr. President, there are voluminous Committee amendments by the Appropriations Committee. Mr. President, the basic Committee amendments are offered by Senator Marvel. Then there are a series of other amendments some of which are identified as amending the Standing Committee amendments.

PRESIDENT: The Chair recognizes Senator Marvel. Would you be kind enough to explain the bill first of all and then we will proceed in some orderly fashion dictated or suggested by you.

SENATOR MARVEL: That was what I was going to suggest is that we first go to the Committee amendments which are in the white copy which strikes the original sections 1 to 85 and then inserts the language and I would like to go over this and every member should have one of these books that spell out the various programs that we are talking about. I assume everyone has one of these because these were passed out and I think that if we can refer to the white amendments to 691 and the explanatory booklet I think we can proceed. At least, I am willing to try. Is that your wish, Mr. President? Okay, the first, section 2 has to do with the Supreme Court and it is divided into three different programs. The first program has to do with court administration which contains about 33 people. The second has to do with Program 396 which is the county court program.